



**FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT
June 2020**

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference
Income	\$ 238,075	\$ 202,009	\$ (36,066)
Expenses	\$ 239,622	\$ 212,214	\$ 27,408
To Reserves	\$ 4,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,000

Church Picnic Cancelled



The church leadership has made the decision to cancel the church picnic scheduled for August 16, 2020, due to the complications from COVID-19.

Church-Wide Events in August

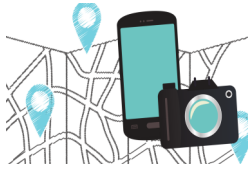


Photo Scavenger Hunt - Saturday, August 15th from 6-9 pm. Open to all families or groups that would like to participate. You will need a car and driver as well as a cell phone with a camera to participate. We will meet in the church parking lot at 6 pm. You will receive a list of things you must get pictures of and then we will send you off. You will have 2 hours to get as many pictures as possible and then we will meet back at the church to crown the winners! Sign up on our website www.bethesdaec.org or call the church office. Please no more than 6 people to a team.



Movie in the Parking Lot - Friday, August 28th from 9 - 11 pm. Bring your whole family to watch a movie under the stars! Please bring chairs (this is not a drive in) and your favorite movie snacks. Film title to be determined. No need to sign up.



The church staff will be working from home. Staff will be available by phone during regular office hours. In person meetings will be by appointment only.

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

We currently have one indoor service at 10 am . This service is also live streamed on You Tube. Find us on YouTube under Bethesda EC Church **Small groups along with children and youth groups are available at various times throughout the week on Zoom and some will be starting to meet in person. See bethesdaec.org for more information.**



American Red Cross

**Community Blood Drive
Monday, August 3rd 2-7 pm
23 Meadowbrook Center**

Space is limited. Sign up TODAY! Due to a blood shortage donating blood is more important than ever. For more information on the blood drive and the steps the Red Cross is taking to safely give blood call the Red Cross at 1-800-Red Cross, or visit www.redcross.org.

We are also in need of prepackaged, individually wrapped, store-bought baked goods. If you can help in this way, call the church office at 570-739-2241. Baked goods can be dropped off at 23 Meadowbrook Center on Monday, August 3rd before 1 pm. Thank You!

**The Church Has Left
The Building**



Get ready!!! On **Sunday, October 11, 2020,** Bethesda and Grace EC Churches will again come together to experience **The Church Has Left the Building.** As the Outreach Commissions from each church continue to meet and plan this opportunity, your help is needed. **We are searching for job site possibilities.**

If you know of someone or a family who owns their home (not renting), and needs some landscaping and/or simple renovation or "handyman" work on their property, please forward their contact information to Pastor Mark at the church office, cell/text 570.573.2824 or e-mail mdbrooks@bethesdaec.org. The preference is for those who cannot afford or are limited by age or physical condition to complete this work on their own. We must have job sites in order to make October 11th become a reality!!!

Thank you for helping us to find projects!



Thank you for your generosity! Our food pantry is full. If you know of someone in need (friend, neighbor or co-worker etc.) do not hesitate to contact the church office at **570-739-2241** about providing a food box for them. We will deliver it to their home, or yours to pass along. Thank you for serving our community!



Free Food Box Giveaway
Saturday, July 25th 10 am – 12 pm
23 Meadowbrook Center

Boxes are first come, first served, while supplies last. This is a drive thru pick up event. You will stay in your vehicle and we will load the box for you. It is our desire to be as careful as possible. We will be wearing masks and gloves and practicing social distancing .

Women's daily fellowship



takes place at 7 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. Please visit our website or call the church office if you would like to be a part of online gatherings. These gatherings require either a smart phone, tablet or computer as well as internet access.



Opportunities all around you

As we take this situation day by day and assess the needs of our community please consider being available for those who may need help in the coming weeks and months. Pastor Mark will reach out about opportunities as they arise.



August 9th & 23rd
1:30 - 3:30 pm in the Library

GriefShare is a support group for those who have lost a spouse, child, family member or friend. Video vignettes, group discussion, personal study, and reflection are part of healing. Call Paul at 570-294-0778 for more information.

Tuesdays @ Bethesda
6:30 to 8:00 pm



Celebrate Recovery® is designed to help those struggling with hurts, hang-ups, and habits by showing them the loving power of Jesus Christ through the recovery process. The program is based on eight principles from the Beatitudes and the Twelve Steps (i.e. AA) and their biblical comparisons. A limitless number of issues can be dealt with through the program such as chemical addictions, overspending; anger; overeating; need to control; fear/anxiety and more!



Prayer Meetings on Zoom

Join us **on Wednesdays at 7 pm** to pray for the needs of our community and congregation as well as a time of sharing and fellowship. You will need a computer, tablet or smart phone and internet access to join these meetings. Visit bethesdaec.org or call the church office at 570-739-2241 for more information and to get connected.

Missionary Corner

Keith & Sarah Evans - Disciple Makers
Lebanon Valley College & Elizabethtown College



- They graduated a lot of seniors this past year. **Please pray** that their returning students would be equipped and encouraged to do the work of building God's Kingdom on campus.
- **Please pray** that they would know how to work with and communicate with school administration during these uncertain times.
- **Please pray** for incoming freshmen class, and that they might be able to taste and see that the Lord is good through their ministry.



Bethesda Youth Ministries

Please watch Facebook and the church website for updated information about Children's and Youth Events. Join the **Bethesda Youth and Children Ministries group on Facebook** to stay up to date on all coming events.

Wayne Township Senior Group
23 Meadowbrook Center
August 2020 Events

The Wayne Township Senior Group is **currently closed** and will be closed indefinitely . If you would like to stay connected during this stay-at-home time frame, we have a **weekly zoom meeting** that meets every **Wednesday at 11:30 am**. These meetings do require internet access and a smart phone or computer. The link to the meeting is available at www.bethesdaec.org under the ways to stay connected tab. If you have any questions, call the church office at 570-739-2241.



PRAYER CONCERNS

August 2020

Please Note – All prayer concerns will be listed for one month and then removed. If you would like your prayer concern to be continued longer than a month, you must contact the church office or Pastor Mark. Thank you!

Personal

Jane Baudoin (recovery)
Curt Behler (safety)
Bonnie Betz (heart)
Wayne Blankenhorn (rehab)
Eileen Blew (knees)
Harvey Bollinger (recovery)
Linda Bollinger (knee)
Carol Bowen (knee & lymes)
Mary Brooks (heart)
Marie Canfield (cancer)
Vicki Cenpeghe (chemo)
Patrick Coleman (recovery)
Rachel Croyle (protection)
Marcia Donlin (cellulitis)
Kandi Dysinger (eye)
Mary Jo Faust (heart)
Evan Freeman (protection)
Mike Gallagher (stroke)
Allen Gruver (cancer)
Pam Guido (cancer)
Brandon Hancock (recovery)
Pat Harr (recovery)
Nate Heim (recovery)
Glen Helbert (AML diagnosis)
Mary Ellen Hering (high BP)
Cathy Imschweiler (testing)
Eleanor Jamison (recovery)
Rich Jochems (cancer)
Barry Kintzel (cancer)
Gail Knauf (recovery)
Kay Lebouef (cancer)
Lane Lehman (seizures)
Lori Lehman (radiation)
Betty Jo Long (biopsy)
Susie Lowenthal (treatment)
Tom Luckenbill (recovery)
Jim Martin (abdominal pain)
Amanda Mason (recovery)
Michelle Matz (recovery)
Barb Miller (cancer)
Erika Minnich (PT & meds)
Marylin Motley (cancer)
Brian Mullens (transition)

Shut-ins

Walter Bilger
Theron & Mary Anne Boyer
Esther Heisler
Bert Heydt
Edith Houtz
Sharon Kissenger

Military

Alex Amaya (Navy)
Josh Behler (Air Force)
Ryan Brooks (Air Force) - Deployment 6/25
Jessica Kelley (Air Force)
Jeff McNeil (Army)
Nicole Perkins (Army)

Anne Murray (cancer)
Bridget O'Leary (heart)
Stuart Perkins (stroke)
Victoria Perkins (seizures)
Willi Perkins (vision)
Carol Piler (family concerns)
Dawn Reiter (testing)
Riley Rejniak (cancer)
Jean Schach (cancer)
Wayne Schlottman (cancer)
Robin Schoener (cancer)
Brady Seigfried (recovery)
Carol Shira (hospice)
Cara Stine (pain management)
Joe Stock (stroke)
Lynn Stranix (headaches)
Richard Welker (cancer)
Jesse Wall (blood clots)
Patti Young (wrist)
Rebecca Zimmerman (protection)

Family

C. Emily Babb Family (stability)
Steve Babb Family (covid-19)
Helen Canfield Family (loss)
Phillip Christman Family (transition)
Robert Donton Family (Parkinson's)
Dorothy Fish Family (loss)
Brennan Gumeniski Family (loss)
James Heffron Family (loss)
Glenn & Esther Heisler Family (transition)
Ezekiel Thomas Holzer Family (birth)
Phil Holzer Family (work release)
William Keller Family (loss)
Gerry Knauf Family (loss)
Joe & Brenda Krasinsky Family (transition)
Pat & Debbie Kubeika (recovery)
Dennis Lauffer Family (health issues)

Eleanor & Jacob Jamison
Sheree Minnich
Mary Rhen
Karen Rountree
Maria Szumlinski

Local, National and Global

EC Officers:
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& Schuylkill Haven
Coronavirus
Parents/Guardians & Students
School Administration & Staff
Gilberton Flood Recovery

Congregational

23 Meadowbrook Center
Celebrate Recovery
Coffee @ the Corner
Griefshare Ministry
Lifetree Café
L.I.F.E. & TUMI Prison Ministries

Thomas Perkins Family (move)
Vicki Sleinkofer Family (perseverance)
Nehemiah Ezekiel Smith Family (birth)
Lily & Janet Stoyer (twin pines)
Linda Vaughn Family (perseverance)
Kay Wilt Family (loss)
Beth Zimmerman family (perseverance)



All articles for events held from **September 1st** through **October 15th** should be submitted by the **10th of August** in order to be included in our **September issue**. A copy of this newsletter can also be found on-line at www.bethesdaec.org.